

Commissioner Newburger to take up the investigation of this new testimony and the fact that the ten former Central office men attached to Inspector Sweeney's staff were taken down by stenographers and put into affidavit form. The stenographers' notes were transcribed last night and the new Third Deputy Commissioner took them home to study over Sunday.

Between now and Monday the Commissioner will decide whether to call Purcell before him on Monday to give additional details regarding the transactions told of by the gambler on Friday, or whether the Commissioner will depend upon the minutes of the Curran committee.

Purcell had a sheaf of typewritten pages while he made his answer, while Assistant District Attorney Moss questioned from a similar sheaf. The Commissioner had not yet asked to see one of these documents and it has not yet been decided at Headquarters whether or not a request will be made upon Mr. Moss or Purcell for the use of the typewritten matter in the police investigation.

A statement issued from Commissioner Waldo's office yesterday began with this statement:

"The Commissioner wants it very carefully understood that he is working in full accordance with the District Attorney. The investigation was conducted by the District Attorney and the Commissioner is not to stop it. Inspector Sweeney and all his men accused by Waldo were before Newburger yesterday and under oath all denied any wrongdoing of any kind."

"Inspector Purcell's story will be investigated in all its ramifications, deputy Commissioner Newburger will be in possession of his complete testimony and every specific charge will be investigated. All that is needed for pushing any individual case is a specific charge warranting an action."

Inspector Sweeney, now under suspension, was one of the callers at Headquarters yesterday in pursuance of the rule requiring that suspended officers of the department report each morning.

Inspector Sweeney went first to the Third Deputy Commissioner's office and then was taken by Mr. Newburger to the Commissioner's office and remained there an hour. No further information regarding Sweeney was to be had after the conference. Commissioner Waldo had allowed the statement to be made on Friday that the inspector denied all wrongdoing.

In carrying out his investigation of the Purcell charges, Mr. Newburger will call all the plain clothes men and others mentioned by Purcell who are still in the department and may call some outside witnesses. He will make the inquiry as searching as possible.

There was much speculation yesterday regarding the results of an order issued by Commissioner Waldo a few days ago, under which policemen took possession of the Hotel Lincoln after the manager of the hotel, Philip Blum, had started for Blackwell's Island on a conviction for running a questionable resort.

It is understood that the order was in pursuance of a suggestion from the Mayor himself that this would be an effective method for closing up hotels which violated the law. Reports coming through police channels yesterday were to the effect that the same method would be employed on a large number of suspected places.

The method which it was said was to be pursued was to station a policeman in plain clothes behind the desk in each of these hotels, with orders to take note of the names and addresses of guests, particularly those without baggage, and also to note the length of time rooms assigned to them were occupied.

In case guests have names, addresses which the policeman suspected might be fictitious, the policeman is to follow such guests to their destinations to get their real identity.

When the policeman on duty finds it necessary to leave the hotel desk on these grounds, he is to notify Headquarters and another policeman is to be sent to take his place.

The order has not been announced and the day and hour at which it is to go into effect were not mentioned yesterday. A similar method of taking notes has been employed in the cases of certain gambling houses and is said to have been particularly efficient in detecting and closing them.

Information has been given to the District Attorney this week regarding alleged operations of one of the men whom the prosecutor is now investigating as a possible participant in some of the graft already described by witnesses before the Grand Jury.

This man, still a member of the Police Department, was formerly in command of an uptown precinct according to this information, and the names of two policemen, one of whom is still in the department, will be given to the District Attorney as those of this officer's collectors in the days of his command of this precinct.

The second of the two names is that of a man who died a few years ago, George A. Sipp. Sipp has mentioned this official in his information regarding other transactions than those upon which the present accusations of Walsh are based.

As a side light on the prosecution which have resulted from Sipp's story it was said yesterday that a "down and out" saloon keeper was at least partially responsible for Sipp's going before the Curran committee with his story in the first place.

This man is Albert Curley, who formerly kept a saloon in the neighborhood of Eighth avenue and 125th street, in Capt. Walsh's precinct. Curley, according to the story told by his friends, had some trouble with Walsh and was put out of business as a result. He then got a job as bartender in a nearby place and lost his job through the interference of Capt. Walsh.

From there Curley, out of work, drifted about until with the beginning of the Curran investigation his name was told to representatives of the District Attorney and of the Curran committee. Investigators failed to find him until he showed up himself at the office of Counsel Buckner.

Even then Curley would say nothing about his own troubles with the police, but told them about Sipp.

Some of those accused by Purcell on Friday, other than the police captains made denials yesterday. N. Joseph Slick, a lawyer of 227 East Fifty-seventh street, said that the first time he ever met Purcell was in August, 1911, when he appeared as counsel for him and got \$50 for his services. No policeman ever got a cent of it. He said that he never met Lieutenant Becker or Policeman White until the arrest of Charles P. Pitt, Jr., last March in connection with the shooting of William Carter, a negro, in a Harlem raid.

Former Borough President Cassidy of Queens said that he knew Purcell fifteen years ago, that he never had any conversation with him and never received any money from him directly or indirectly. Ex-Sheriff Harvey of Queens said that he knew Purcell very well, but that he never had any conversation with him and never received any money from him directly or indirectly. Ex-Sheriff Harvey of Queens said that he knew Purcell very well, but that he never had any conversation with him and never received any money from him directly or indirectly.

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SHIRE TELLS HOW HE CLEANED UP DISTRICT

Captain, Whom Gamblers Could Not Reach, Says He Enjoyed Fight.

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RAIDS MANICURE SHOPS.

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MRS. SNYDER ATTEMPTS SUICIDE.

Remorse Said to Have Caused Act of Lillian Holte's Mother.

"LITTLE NAVY" DEMOCRATS FAIL.

Unable to Get Quorum to Commit Party to Power.

LOCKS CAPTORS IN ESCAPES.

Ex-Deputy Surveyor of Customs Flees as Books Are Examined.

SHIRE, the police captain who would not stand for any illegal resort, raised himself to his full six feet and more yesterday afternoon.

"Yes," he exclaimed bitterly, "honest, you say, and what did it get me but a broken heart? I go into the district Twenty-first precinct, the one that Purcell told about yesterday? I clean it up until there isn't a yellow spot left. I win my captaincy from Commissioner Greene and I keep the place clean, and then—why, then, Commissioner McAdoo calls me down to Headquarters and puts me off the force because I am too fat."

"I, who am fighting day and night, the vilest, smartest bunch of men in the city, driving them out, cleaning them out, convicting them before a jury? I, who am pronounced by Prof. Feyer to be absolutely perfect physically—I am put on the shelf, laid by. Why, I ask you? Why was that?"

McAdoo never told me, no one has ever told me. Well, it makes me bitter sometimes."

Capt. Shire, still under the proper restraining age of a policeman, tall, as has been said, with an immense breadth of shoulders, a strong, resolute face, lives today in a modest apartment in East Forty-ninth street. Since his resignation in 1905 he has had no record of \$1,000 a year, and in the meantime has built up a flourishing little business which keeps him occupied.

He talked yesterday of his experiences when he was a captain, his dealings with vice of the several kinds, but he had hardly a word to say about another policeman, active or retired, who was faithful in the force in every word he uttered. Faith, he said, based on his own experience.

"The force had at the core," he said, "I am not sure. Let me tell you that any time the men know that a captain is honest or three-quarters honest, they will go out and do police duty. I know they will. I cleaned up the Twenty-first, and I know it. Just as soon as they know I mean what I said, they turned in to help and never a one failed me. Don't tell me that the force is bad at heart."

"Graft," interrupted the man whom Purcell, the gambler, said was a "brute." "Let me ask you one thing. Did you ever hear a man come to you and lay down in front of you a nice clean \$1,000 bill, saying 'It was yours and you wouldn't have to do a thing on earth to get it? Well, after you have had that experience you will begin to have an idea what it means to a policeman sometimes."

"After it is known around that a man can't be reached, they stop coming to him. He isn't bothered. They go to him in another way. That is what made the old Twenty-first the great place it was."

"But those were the days. You could get any kind of trouble you wanted any day or night. The smoothest, smartest gamblers, backed by some smooth, smart politicians, were out to do business. There were other kinds of people, the keepers of vice resorts, there were the tough gangs down on the avenues, and finally there was Corcoran's Roost for variety. A policeman could get all the excitement he wanted down there any time. They were great days, twenty-four hours long and something doing every minute."

"Purcell said that you almost stood for protection money once," said his visitor. "That time that Louis Goldstein of the Murray Hill Lyceum was the go-between. The veteran policeman laid back in his chair and chuckled."

"I knew young Mr. Purcell very well," he said. "A little quiet looking fellow, but sharp as a knife blade, always in business, always able to dig up a banker from Tommy Murphy, the Tammany leader, or somebody else. I remember the time he spoke of very well."

"Louis Goldstein, who ran the Murray Hill Lyceum, is as fine a man as I ever lived, a good, clean, square man. He'll do a favor for anybody. I used to go in and see him often, smoke a

cigar in the office and talk about times. Everybody used to come to his place. The clubs would give balls and the sporting men would contribute to all the things. One day he came to me about this young fellow Purcell and some others. He talked out frankly."

"Captain," he said, "I want to tell you something. I have been asked to tell you. It's nothing to me one way or the other. It's just: If you will stand for poolrooms and gambling there'll be a nice bank account started in your name and it will grow big every week. You will never know where the money comes from and how it comes, but some day when you are ready to quit you will be told where it is and your check will be good for the whole amount."

"There I was in a funny position," continued the captain. "Look, my good friend, Purcell running his place in spite of me and me that minute with a plain clothes man in his place getting evidence. If I turned it down that Purcell would close, so I said all right, and the captain chuckled again."

"May be that's how Purcell got the idea of time a week and shift. Anyway, I string it along and put another young policeman outside and he took the names of the men who were going into the place how long they stayed, when they went in and the like. One day we went into them with a smash. 'Buster,' he called me. 'Mayer, I was a brute. We went smashing and we got Mr. Purcell and his crowd and we took them downtown.'"

"My, they were the cocky crowd!" they pleaded guilty? Not a bit of it. They would fight. The case was coming up and I got a half dozen subpoenas and clapped them on the citizens, you see."

"They came down town, and they were a mad lot. Some of them could not afford to have it known that they were playing the races and they went to Mr. Purcell and his gang. 'See here,' they said, 'you keep us out of this or we will hang you the first time we catch you on the street.'"

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The NEW SPRING STUFFS & WALL PAPERS HAVE ARRIVED AT McHUGH'S 9 W. 42d ST

but it was healthy. I knew them all. Tommy Murphy, smooth, quiet, a good fellow. Tom Woods, once President of the Board of Aldermen, all the others along the avenue, smiling to my face and me smiling to them, but at the same time we were having the prettiest little fight on you ever saw."

"Don't talk to me about the men of the force," said the captain a minute later. "You can't tell about them. Let me tell you one thing of those old days. A telephone message comes from an apartment house that burglars are in the flat above the person telephoning, the occupants having gone to the theatre."

"I pick out a man that didn't look as if he had anything in him and we go to the place on a run. We get to the door and are going in when he jumps in front of me. 'What in the hell you doing this for?' I ask him. 'Why haven't a gun?' he says, and we go in together."

"That fellow is still on the force and you'd never think he had that sort of stuff in him to look at him; but he's all there—a man. Don't roast the force; give them the kind of men they know are right; they'll be right; they'll be policemen for you."

"No! I couldn't say a word against any living man on the force. I minded my own business and had enough to do."

Louis Goldstein said last night that he had seen Purcell but once in his life. The gambler came to him and asked how he could get to Capt. Shire. Purcell, according to Goldstein, said he wanted to open up in Shire's precinct and was willing to pay. Goldstein said he told Purcell that the gambler's money would make no difference to the police captain. He said there was no hope of getting Shire to allow a house to be opened in his precinct."

Purcell then asked if he could use personal influence. Goldstein said he told the gambler that the only policeman Shire knew was Capt. Norton Goddard, a wealthy merchant who cleaned up the police shops, but Goldstein said that Goddard wouldn't approach Shire on any such errand."

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Spaniard Arrested in St. Louis Makes Clean Breast to Police.

TOOL OF ACTUAL THIEVES

Leaders of Gang Who Stole \$200,000 Said to Be Still Hiding in Havana.

St. Louis, Feb. 8.—Ramon Liano, the Spaniard arrested here on Friday while trying to negotiate two \$10,000 gold certificates at the Third National Bank, is said to have made a full confession to the police, admitting that the notes were part of the \$200,000 stolen from the National Bank of Cuba in Havana last September.

He was questioned by Ben C. Applegate, head of the St. Louis branch of the Burns Detective Agency, and Chief of Detectives Samuel Allen of St. Louis. Neither Applegate nor Allen would say what information had been divulged by Liano, but that he had broken his silence was shown by his weeping when he was led back to his cell at Police Headquarters.

Applegate had announced a few minutes before that the man was on the verge of making a statement and the police were hot on the trail of \$170,000 of the loot, which is believed to be intact in \$10,000 bills.

The bills were stolen either after being placed in the mail in Havana or prior to being sent in the mail. Two of the bills were found in the possession of Liano. That he also had more than \$3,000 in his possession leads the police to believe he had succeeded in cashing at least one \$10,000 bill.

It was said Liano declared he came into possession of the two \$10,000 bills four days after the robbery. He said they were given him by a man. He denied that he had more than two of the gold certificates, but could not tell satisfactorily how he came into possession of the money of smaller denominations.

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